

HANGED HIMSELF TO AN APPLE TREE

German Restaurant Man Gambles,
Gets Despondent and Com-
mits Suicide.

USED PIECE OF CLOTHES LINE.

Mounted a Chair, Adjusted the Nose
And Jumped Off to be Choked to
Death—A Gruesome Sight.

Some time between last midnight and 4:45 o'clock this morning John Miller, a German, aged about 45 years, and a cook by occupation, committed suicide by hanging himself with a clothes line on the limb of an apple tree in a lot on South Temple between West Temple and First West streets. How long the man had been dead cannot be determined. He died from strangulation, and when found by a policeman his tongue was hanging out of his mouth, and his face was badly discolored.

Miller had been in Salt Lake for a number of years, working at various restaurants. Some time ago he started a small restaurant, called the Millie Cafe, at the place mentioned above, so far as known the man was never married, and the only relative he had in this country is said to be a sister who now resides in Buffalo, N. Y. When Sergeant Roberts and Officer Armstrong found the body suspended from the limb, it was at once cut down and removed to Evans' undertaking parlor, where it now is. Justice Dana T. Smith was notified and viewed the remains. He decided that an inquest was not necessary.

Miller had been in the habit of arising very early each morning to build a fire and start breakfast. It is surmised that he arose earlier than usual this morning.

Going into a lot next to his place of business, he cut a clothes line down and, procuring a chair, mounted the same under the tree, tied one end of the rope to the limb and made a noose with the other end, adjusted the same around his neck and then sat off the chair. How long he hung there before death is still a matter of conjecture. A passer-by saw the gruesome sight of the body hanging by the neck, and at once notified the police department. Sergeant Roberts and Patrol Driver Armstrong went to the scene in the patrol wagon and cut down the body.

It was learned that Miller had worked several times for John Gallagher, the East Temple street restaurant man. He worked as dish washer and sometimes second cook. When Mr. Gallagher heard of the suicide this morning, he made the following statement about Miller:

"I have known him for some time. He worked for me, off and on, for several months. I cannot say whether or not he was a drinking man, but he was an inveterate gambler, and squandered his earnings playing roulette. I am satisfied that he was a good boy. He was a German but how long he had been in the country I do not know. I know that he has a sister in Buffalo, because I remember her paid her a visit. Some time ago he went to Bingham, I think it was about four months ago, and made a large sum of money. He had \$1000 in cash which he used to start him up in the restaurant business on South Temple. His affairs evidently did not prosper very well, perhaps because of his gambling practices, for he came to me some time ago and borrowed \$10 to help him out of some difficulty. I did not get back my \$10."

From the statements and from the statements of others who knew something about the man, it is believed that his business was not paying, and that he had lost various sums at the gaming table, and became despondent and decided to kill himself.

Where Miller had cut the line with a knife, and the dried rope is plainly seen by the marks on the ground. He did not have far to fall after jumping from the chair, and was quickly choked to death. The body will probably not be buried until Miller's sister is heard from.

SUMMER COLDS.
Laxative Bromo Quinine, the world-wide Cold Cure, removes the cause, call for name and look for signature of E. W. Grove, M.D.

VICTIM OF RHEUMATISM.

John Schuler, the 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Lewis of Frontier, Wyo., died this morning from rheumatism of the heart. Mr. Lewis is connected with the Frontier Trading company and on Monday last brought their only child to this city for medical treatment. However, his illness was of such a serious character that little relief succeeded this morning. The funeral will be held on Sunday, the time and place to be announced later.

SUMMER THEATRICALS.

They Are Not Running Smoothly at Saltair—Miss Batsman to Quit.

The summer theatrical venture at Saltair has hit the rocks. The scenery, it is understood, belongs to the Salt Lake Theater. Yesterday afternoon a part of it was brought to the city. The rest is to come. Manager Langford of the resort absolutely refuses to say anything beyond the fact that he has been disappointed, and Manager of the show says he is done, and that there will be no more performances under existing conditions. Miss Victoria Batsman, he says, will come to Salt Lake and appear at one of the theaters here and give a series of her old successes for the remainder of the season, beginning probably next week.

HERE IN JULY.

Southern California Editors to Stop
Over En Route to Port and."

Edgar Johnson, editor and proprietor of the Fullerton Tribune, Fullerton, Cal., and president of the Southern California Editorial association, is in Salt Lake today arranging for the excursion of the association, which leaves Los Angeles at 7 p. m. Thursday, July 6, over the Salt Lake Route, for this city and the Portland exposition. The editors are due to arrive here on the morning of Saturday, July 8, when they will be entertained at a reception at the Tabernacle, a trip in Spring salt Lake car, and a run out to the lake.

Mr. Johnson this afternoon met with representatives of the Commercial club and the Press club of Salt Lake, when he discussed the proposed junket,

TRAMPS CAUSED RIO GRANDE WRECK

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by some of the passengers began to realize what had happened, and then followed screams for help. Those in the out-of-control car were mostly tramps and were not able to make themselves understood. However, it was not long until a number of us freed ourselves from the wreckage and in a short time we were doing everything possible to help those not able to help themselves.

ASSISTED MANY.

For my own part, though badly wounded in the arm, I assisted in getting many out of the carriage, some of whom were bleeding from wounds caused by broken glass. It was quite dark, as the lights had gone out, but the moon was shining and gave light enough to enable us to make ourselves understood. However, it was not long until a number of us freed ourselves from the wreckage and in a short time we were doing everything possible to help those not able to help themselves.

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LATE LOCALS.

Policeman Corless and wife have returned from a visit to Santquin.

Mrs. E. B. Wells has composed, and will read a poem on the Pioneers at tomorrow's celebration at Calder's park.

There is a low barometric pressure present from the southwest, and the weather bureau predicts cooler weather.

The number of automobile cars in this city is increasing. The last addition to the list is a \$1,000 car, the property of Col. J. J. Daynes, Jr.

The business at subsection No. 1 of the Salt Lake postoffice has increased so within the last year, that the salary of the clerk in charge, has been advanced from \$700 to \$900, on the recommendation of Postmaster Thomas.

Thomas Newman, son of W. J. Newman, of the board of education, is ill with smallpox at his residence, 726 west North Temple street. The case was reported to the health officer day.

The Primary associations of the Ensign, Liberty, Pioneer and Salt Lake stakes will give an excursion to Saltair on Tuesday, June 27, on which occasion an excellent program will be rendered.

The Primary officers of Ensign stake will meet Saturday, June 24, at 4 p. m. in Room 21, B. Y. Memorial building.

Eldredge since the first of the year, has tendered her resignation to Mr. Eldredge to take effect on July 1. Miss Liggan has been employed in various offices at the joint building for several years past and has made a large number of friends who will regret very much her departure from the building.

A report from the L. D. S. hospital at 2 o'clock today in regard to the condition of U. S. Marshal H. B. Heywood is to the effect that he is greatly improved, and that confidence is growing with the attending physicians that he will not be lost, operation being performed on the right eye made necessary by the brain sustained by it in Logan canyon, has proved highly successful, and the patient is now recovering rapidly.

Residents of Sixth East street are agitating the idea of blocking off the street from South Temple street to Liberty Park, including the plating of the center with turf and asphalt on either side, and with the understanding that no streetcar tracks shall ever be laid there. Then east Second South street residents are agitating for the extension of the asphalt paving from Third East to Ninth East, and the removal of the asphalt paving of Sixth East, Main street north of South Temple. The city council will be asked to pave Fourth South street from West Temple to Second East streets.

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